

An authorized demonstration directed towards the Turkish Embassy will take place in Stockholm today, Thursday, July 30th, beginning at 1330 hrs. The demonstrators, estimated at 300 people, will be positioned near Berwaldhallen (approximate address is Dag Hammarskjölds väg 4) in Stockholm. At this time police do not anticipate any violence, however they have raised the possibility there may be some elements who may attempt to cause disruptions during the demonstration. Police will be present during the entire event and will have extra support on stand-by to deal with any disorderly conduct.

Even demonstrations intended to be peaceful can turn confrontational and sometimes escalate into violence. You should avoid areas of demonstrations, and exercise caution if in the vicinity of any large gatherings, protests, or demonstrations. Review your personal security plans; remain aware of your surroundings, including local events; and monitor local news stations for updates. Maintain a high level of vigilance and take appropriate steps to enhance your personal security and follow instructions of local authorities.

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Regularly monitor the State Department's website at http://travel.state.gov, where you can find current Travel Warnings, Travel Alerts, and the Worldwide Caution. Read the Country Specific Information for Sweden at http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_4965.html. For additional information, refer to "A Safe Trip Abroad" on the State Department's website. Contact the U.S. embassy or consulate for up-to-date information on travel restrictions. You can also call 1-888-407-4747 toll-free from within the United States and Canada, or 1-202-501-4444 from other countries. These numbers are available from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday (except U.S. federal holidays). Follow us on Twitter at https://mobile.twitter.com/travelgov and Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/travelgov. You can also download our free Smart Traveler App, available through tTunes and the Android market, to have travel information at your fingertips.

The U.S. Embassy in Stockholm is located at Dag Hammarskjoldsvag 31, Stockholm and is open, Monday through Friday from 9 - 11AM, except for <u>Swedish and American holidays</u>, phone number +46 (0)8 783 5375. Our regular telephone hours are between 1 PM and 2 PM, Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. If you are a U.S. citizen in need of urgent assistance, the emergency number for the U.S. Embassy is +46(0)8 783 5300.